



## Legislation Text

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Resolution temporarily suspending razing and demolition activities funded by NSP Phase 1 and 2 until the Department of Neighborhood Services has made modifications in bidding requirements allowing for deconstruction activities.

This resolution temporarily suspends razing and demolition activities which are funded by NSP Phase 1 and 2, until the Department of Neighborhood Services has developed a pilot program for building recycling (deconstruction) that would be funded by the NSP Phase 1 and 2 demolition funds. Included in these modifications are bonding and insurance requirements as well as any other provisions which impede or discourage deconstruction activities. Two exceptions are made to the temporary suspension: executed contracts where the city has sent the contractor a notice to proceed, and demolition necessitated by emergency circumstances.

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee has received \$1,312,500 for demolition of foreclosed homes and blighted properties in target areas through the Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2009, known as NSP Phase 1 funds; and

Whereas, A portion of the NSP Phase 1 home demolition money was ear-marked for deconstruction activities; and

Whereas, No deconstruction activities have taken place due to the bidding requirements, including bonding and insurance, of the City's Department of Neighborhood Services; and

Whereas, An additional \$2,012,000 has been awarded to the City for demolition as part of the National Economic Stimulus Package, known as NSP Phase 2; and

Whereas, These additional funds offer further opportunities for deconstruction projects; and

Whereas, Deconstruction projects allow for reclamation and recycling of building materials as opposed to adding to land fill, as well as creating job training opportunities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee that razing and demolition activities, funded by NSP Phase 1 and 2, be temporarily suspended until the Department of Neighborhood Services has developed a pilot program for building recycling (deconstruction) that would be funded by the NSP Phase 1 and 2 demolition funds; and, be it

Further Resolved, That razing and demolition activities, funded by NSP Phase 1 and 2, shall not be resumed until the Department of Neighborhood Services submits its pilot program for building recycling (deconstruction) to the Common Council for review and approval; and, be it

Further Resolved, That two exceptions are made to the temporary suspension: executed contracts where the city has sent the contractor a notice to proceed, and demolition necessitated by emergency circumstances.

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